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1. IN A MEETING WITH EMBOFFS ON AUGUST 9, MG BRANDT, CHIEF OF POLITICAL/MILITARY AFFAIRS IN FMOD, COMMENTED THAT THE DESIGNATION OF THE GERMAN DEPUTY TO SACEUR PROBABLY WOULD NOT BE MADE BEFORE THE END OF SEPTEMBER OR POSSIBLY LATER.

2. BRANDT SAID THAT BEFORE MAKING THE APPOINTMENT, DEFENSE MINISTER LEBER WOULD HAVE TO CONSULT WITH THE BUNDESTAG AND THE FINANCE MINISTRY. HE COMMENTED THAT IT WAS NOT JUST A QUESTION OF DETERMINING WHO WOULD BE PROMOTED TO THE NEW FOUR STAR POSITION. THE GENERAL
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WOULD NEED A COLONEL AS AN ASSISTANT, A MAJOR AS AN AIDE, HOUSING, AND A CAR AND CHAUFFEUR. THERE WERE THUS SEVERAL BUREAUCRATIC STEPS TO BE TAKEN.

3. AS FOR WHO WOULD BE DESIGNATED, BRANDT SAID THERE WERE MANY RUMORS AND PEOPLE IN THE FMOD WERE PLACING BETS. HE IMPLIED THAT A FINAL DECISION DEFINITELY

HAD NOT BEEN MADE.
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